



Recent Happenings

Mini-Special Olympics... Made Possible by Integrated Efforts

On 2 July 2009 the Fort Buchanan water park "The WaterSpout" opened exclusively for a group of 112 very special athletes from the Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools and the Child, School and Youth Services Summer program. Staff from both entities and the ACS Exceptional Family Member program coordinator started meetings months in advance to coordinate this event where children could interrelated in a way that promoted acceptance and positive self awareness.

Upon the children's arrival they were left to explore and splash around freely to set the tone for the special games that came later. The DFMWR Sports Coordinator, Juan Sanfeliz, Jr., modified a series of water games using floatation devices, balloons, buckets, hula hoops, beach balls and water guns. These games prompted physical agility and fun. Occupational therapists helped children when needed but did not limit them from trying on their own.

Children's faces radiated with delight and satisfaction as the entire group took

part of a Water Aerobics session and a "Give Me Water Zumba" session with high energy music followed by rhythmical dancing movements inside



the water guided by a volunteer instructor, Grexia Roig. Besides water activities some children also engaged in creating a collective art rug painted on the floor. The WaterSpout's walls were decorated with art objects they had previously created for the ccasion in their classrooms.

When the activity was about to end, each miniathlete was handed a certificate of appreciation, 5 activity books, 5 coloring books and crayons. Food,

snacks and refreshments were also provided. A bright yellow smiley toy with the message "Everyone is Special" was carried by each child as they walked out of the facility. The 36 staff members and volunteers that worked in support of the event left with a smiley boart.

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Photo at left:
USA Express Band
members after
their last
presentation in
Fort Buchanan,
with Garrison
Commander COL
Edwin C. Domingo
(left side) and CSM

USA Express entertains Fort Buchanan

Members of the USA Express ARMY band entertained Fort Buchanan's Soldiers, their Families and civilians .The band visited the Island for two presentations on August 6th and 7th at Buchanan's Community Club. The 2009 USA Express entertains Soldiers around the world and brings them music. The band consists of seven Soldiers, two active duty and five members drawn from the ranks of ARNG and Reserve Components.

Vocals, SSG Laura Snyder, IL Rockwell Allen, SGT Daniel Jaggie and SSG David Robinson sang all types music. While SGT Steven Higgins on bass, SGT Terrance Jones on the sax and SGT Jessica Krzmarzick on keyboard performed. The band played everything from old standards to today's hip-hop and R& B. But the crowds favorites were 80's anthem "Living on a Prayer" from Bon Jovi and "So what" from PINK.

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National Hispanic Heritage Month • September 15 - October 15

The U.S. Census Bureau reports that Hispanics make up roughly 15 percent of the United States total population as of July 1, 2008, making people of Hispanic origin the nation's largest ethnic or race minority. In addition, there are approximately 4 million residents of Puerto Rico. The roots of Hispanic Heritage in America stretch from Caribbean to California and back more than 500 years. Many people with Hispanic Heritage have inspired others with their deeds and contributions to the world in science, arts, literature, business and sports. DFMWR joins the celebration by acknowledging the richness of this Hispanic culture which people who work in Fort Buchanan are fortunate enough to experience.

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• Bldg. 1019-A, Buchanan Heights

A World of Opportunities to reach the Military Market in the island...

For Commercial Sponsorship and/or Paid Advertising:

Marketing, Advertising & Commercial Sponsorship office: T. 787-707-3719/3711 F. 787-707-3715 or E-MAIL: grace.meinhofer@us.army.mil or neysa.maldonado@us.army.mil

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For Our Soldiers



Housing Market Crisis:

Support to Soldiers and Families

HOUSING CRISIS RESOURCES

Websites:

Military OneSource: www.militaryonesource.com

Army OneSource: www.myarmyonesource.com

Military Homefront: www.militaryhomefront.com

Army Housing OneStop: https://onestop.army.mil

Automated Housing Referral Network: www.ahrn.com

Army JAG: www.jagcnet.army.mil

Housing Assistance Program (HAP): www.hap.usace.army.mil

Local and Installation Resources

- Army Community Services (ACS) Financial Counseling: 787-707-3310 Offers spouse employment counseling: 787-707-3365/3804
- Army Emergency Relief: Offers grants and loans for Soldiers who are renting off-post, 787-707-3310

Family Advocacy Program

Classes for September

Stress and Anger ManagementTuesdays, I, and I5 September, 4:30pm - 5:30pm at Army Community Service, Bldg. 1019-C, Buchanan Heights.

Parenting Class I
Thursdays, 3, 10, 17 & 24 and Wednesday, 30 September,
3:30pm - 4:30pm at Army Community Service, Bldg. 1019-D, Buchanan Heights.

New Parent Support Morning Playgroup Wednesdays, 9 and 23 September, 9 am - 11 am at Child Development Center, Bldg. 348.

Improve Your Communication Skills • Class

Tuesday, 29 September, 4pm - 5:30 pm at ACS Bldg. 1019-D, Buchanan Heights.

For information or training request, please contact: Ms. Carmen Teresa Rivera, FAP Educator, 787-707-3698, Ms. Wilda Díaz, FAP Manager, 787-

Sexual Assault Prevention &

Response Program AR 600-20
For military personnel only. • Awareness Training • Response to victims 24/7 Emergency hotline 787-406-4222

Victim Advocate Services

Support for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. More information at 787-707-3709. For FAP & SAPR program related information call Ms. Wilda Díaz at 787-707-3709 or email: wilda. diaz@us.army.mil.

Relocation Readiness

Cross Cultural Adaptation Tour to Río Piedras Farmer's Market

Thursday, 17 September, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. This tour is via public transportation, departing from the golf course parking lot. An opportunity to see fresh produce from Puerto Rico and visit specialty and bargain shops.

Scrapbooking ClassesWednesdays 9 and 23 September, 3 - 5 pm. Enjoy a relaxing time while learning a creative and interesting way to preserve and present your favorite photos. At ACS Conference room, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights.

For reservations & more information call Ms. Adria Lucca, 787-707-3682/3697 email: adria.lucca@us.army.

Exceptional Family Member

Bldg. 1019, García Street, Buchanan Heights, 1:30 pm. For information please call 787-707-3292, or email: raymond. morales@us.army.mil

Army Volunteer Corps
To become a volunteer call at 787-707-3365/3804 or visit Bldg. 1019, García Street, Buchanan Heights. Email: ivette.davila@ us.army.mil or maria.m.hernandez@us.army.mil

Employment Readiness Program

Employee Readiness Program will continue providing assistance on career orientation, resume writing, interview skills and guidance on the Army Spouse Assessment Tool (ASCAT) and the new funding assistance of

Army Spouse Career Advancement Account Program

For individual or group session appointments visit ACS, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights, Mondays through Fridays from 7 am - 2:30 pm or call 787-707--3365. ID Card is required.

Financial Readiness Program

- The Influence of Advertising, recognize how and when advertising tehniques can influence buying decisions. and Thursday, 17 September
- Too Good to Be True, learn to protect yourself from consumer scams.

Thursday, 24 September

Classes from 10 - 11:30 am at ACS, Building 1019, Garcia Street, Buchanan Heights.

Please call Ms. Arlene Romero for class schedules at 787-707-3310 or email: arlene.romero@us.army.mil

Army Family Team Building

For information call Mr. Ernesto Berrios at 787-707-3290/ ernesto.berrios@us.army.mil



The Army's Official website for military families is:

myarmylifetoo.com

Mini Library with Books on Family Issues and Self-help

At ACS, Bldg. 1019, Buchanan Heights. For more information contact Adria Lucca at 787-707-3682/3697.

Facilitate the Commander's ability to provide comprehensive, coordinated, and responsive social services that support the readiness of Soldiers, civilian employees and their Families.

Chief: Mr. Rafael Gilestra Tel. 787-707-3292 rafael.gilestra@us.army.mil • 7 am - 4:30 pm

The backbone of all Army Community Services programs. ACS maintains extensive resource listings for the military and civilian community. It is a good place to start for any type of

help you may need.
ELIGIBILITY FOR PROGRAM:
U.S. Military, Retirees, DOD Civilians, and Family Members. Some of our

resources include information on:

- Child careFinancial Matters
- Employment Nearest WIC Office
- Numbers for Immigration and Naturalization

We are here to get you the information and the help you need. Questions can be answered by calling 787-707-3804/3948 or emailed to maria.m.hernandez@us.army.mil

Education

Counseling

Food Assistance

and so much more...

Military & Family Life **Consultants:**

To help you with your daily living situations related to being part of the Army Community. Services are FREE and CONFIDENTIAL:

- Nina Martínez-Mondays - Fridays, 9 am - 5 pm, 787- 685-3423,
- Fort Buchanan & San Juan National Guard Center.
- Vanessa Villafañe-Mondays - Fridays, 9 am - 5 pm, 787-685-3429, Muñiz National Guard Base &

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Sports and Fitness



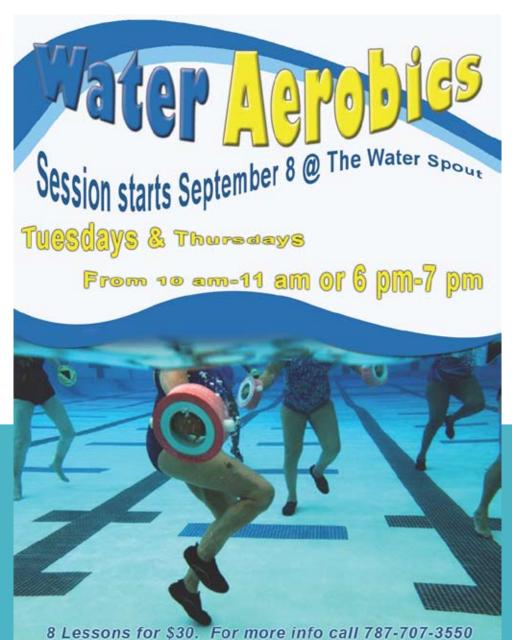












Thank you to our **Bowling Center's** 17th Anniversary **Tournament Sponsor:**



The US Army does not officially endorse sponsors.

Zumba Express + Toning

Wednesday, 2 September, 6pm - 7:30pm at the Sports & Fitness Center, Bldg. 167.

High Intensity Training •40 minutes

Wednesday, 9 September, 4:30pm the Sports & Fitness Center, Bldg. 167. A 40 minute floor workout to challenge your entire body!

Athletic Blast

Tuesday, 15 September, 4:30pm at the Sports & Fitness Center, Bldg. 167. A combination of indoor cycling and circuit training.

Electronic **Triathlon**

Starts 3 September until the 30 September at the Sports & Fitness Center, Bldg. 167.

Do three cardio machines; the person with the most mileage wins! For rules call the Fitness Center, 787-707-3767.



Outdoor Recreation

Scuba Gear, Games and Sports, Party Items, Camping and Miscellaneous articles for rent at nominal fees. Save by renting! Scuba Classes and monthly Scuba Trips also offered.

Bldg. 67 Hours of Operation: • Mon, Thu, Fri & Sat:

8 am - 4:30 pm. • Tue, Wed, Sun & Holidays: Closed For information call: 787-707-3734 or 787-552-7222



Winter Season Hours: Starting after Labor Day (6 Sep) thru Memorial Day.

Open Fri, Sat, Sun & Hol, 10 am - 6 pm. Closed Mon - Thu. Admission fee: \$5.50 adult (11 years and older)
Children 4 - 10 years: \$3.50



Sports & Fitness

CENTER

Bldg. 167 Hours of Operation: Mon - Fri, 5 am - 9 pm Sat, 8 am - 6 pm • Sun, 9 am - 5 pm Call for Holidays hours update.

Racquetball Challenge:

Sign-up to challenge the winner of preceding games. Racquetball court is open to all participants; No individual reservations made during this period.

Civilian Wellness Program: Department of Defense

employees are authorized work time up to 3 days per week, I hour a day, for 6 consecutive months to participate (once during employee's career). Enroll at the Fitness Center, with medical certificate signed by a doctor, supervisor's authorization, and the health risk questionnaire.

Golden Age Program:

For patrons 50 years of age or over. Socialize and enjoy physical activities. Medical certificate required.



Sports & Fitness Director: Luis Robles, Bldg. 1020-C 787-707-3277 luis.r.robles@us.army.mil Roberto Fernández, Bldg. 167 787-707-3767

Juan Sanfeliz Jr. • 787-707-3277

4:30 - Indoor Cycling 5:30 pm - Zumba Wednesday 3:30 - 5:30 Pickup Basl

Fitness Center Ongoing Schedule Tuesday

5:30 am - Indoor Cycling 9 - 10 am - Golden Age 12 noon - Indoor Cycling Ilam - I pm- Racquetball Challenge----3:30-5:30 pm- Pickup Bask 4 - 7 pm - Racquetball Chall 5:30 pm- Dance Step

Thursday

5:30 am - Indoor Cycling 9 - 10 am - Golden Age 4 - 7 pm - Racquetball Chall. 4:30 pm - Indoor Cycling 5:30 pm - Zumba

Saturday

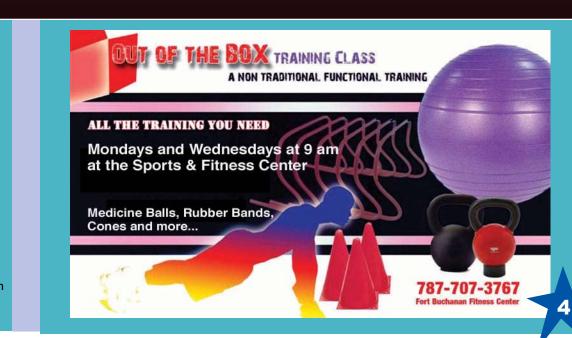
Friday

3:30-5:30 pm- Pickup Basketball 3 - 5:45 pm- Pickup Ba

U.S. Army Veterinarian Services

Bldg. 676, Fort Buchanan 787-707-2038/2039 • Fax 787-707-2037 Mon, Tue, Thu and Fri

from 8 am - 3:30 pm Wed from 8 am - 2 pm Saturdavs open one Saturday per month Call for appoir 787-707-2038



Entertainment...









DFMWR joins the **Year of the NCO Celebration** with monthly specials for our NCOs

During September:

Automotive Skills Center: Free Diagnostic Test for all CPLs and E-5s

Outdoor Recreation:

10% off all Equipment Rentals for all E-6s

Bowling Center: Three (3) Free Bowling Games (shoes included) for all E-7s

The WaterSpout: Free daily pass for E-5s and (2) guests

Golf Course: Free Golf Clinics for all E-8s

Fitness Center:

Free Fitness Assessments for all E-9s

Community Club and Conference Center:

Buy (2) lunches and get (1) one free for all E-6s



Catering Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday, 8 am - 3 pm. **Saturdays by** appointment only. Call 787-707-3535, x-206 for details.

Buffet Lunch

Tuesday - Friday, II am - I pm. \$8 per person. An all you can eat buffet in a relaxed atmosphere!

Tuesday and Thursday, games at 6 pm, cards sold at 5:30 pm.

BOWL

Comida Criolla For Lunch:

Local Favorites with Rice n' Beans or tostones and more... with a soda. \$6 • Mon - Fri, II am - 2 pm

Bowling Center Open Bowling

Mon - Thu • 1 - 10 pm Friday • II am -Iam Sat • II am - I2 mn Sun • II am - 9 pm

Cafe 300 (Snack Bar)

Mon - Thu • 11 am - 9 pm Fri • 11 am - 12 mn Sat • 10 am - 11 pm Sun • 11 am - 8 pm

IIth Pin Bar

Thursday • 5 - 10 pm Friday • 5 - 12 midnight

Manager: Luis Torres
• Tel. 787-707-2695, 787-707-BOWL E-mail: luis.r.torres@us.army.mil



Ladies' Tuesday **Special**

Ladies' Tuesday includes an ntroduction to golf, game tips and much more...

\$10 per lady \$ 5 for deployed Soldiers' wives when presenting proof of deployment Register at the Golf Shop or by calling 787-707-3852.

Meet other ladies interested in learning golf or improving their golf game and having fun!

Month-End Madness Tournament

Friday, 28 August
• Format: 2 Person Scramble (pick your own partner) • Team Handicap based on % of combined handicaps. (Dogfight points may be used in lieu of handicap).

\$30 for annual Golf Members \$35 for non- members Cost:

Entry includes: •Golf Cart •Meal following play •Prizes •On course beverages •Green fee if applicable

Golf Course Complex

Golf Club Snack Bar Lunch Specials

Mon - Fri, 10 am - 1 pm

Pro-Shop Sun - Sat, 6 am to 6 pm

Manager: Mr. Jim Doulin Tel. 787-707-3980, E-mail: jim.doulin@us.army.mil



Special Events & BOSS...

Fort Buchanan's Automotive Skill Center first to receive HYBRID certification

Fort Buchanan's Stanley Brown and Iván Reyes were recently certified as Master Hybrid Service Technicians, by the Automotive Career Development Center. Craig Van Batenburg instructed the training held in Boston Massachusetts. During a week of intense, hands on training, participants were certified to work strictly on Hybrid

Vehicles. After completing the course Brown and Reyes were each provided a pair of special High Voltage Gloves used only for Hybrid repairs. Voltage on this vehicles may vary from 158 volts to 1000 volts and it is required that technicians use these for protection.

Due to the rising level of environmental awareness more people are changing to hybrid cars. Car companies have already made strides in this direction focusing more on lighter, more fuelefficient cars. According to Mr. Brown, there are three types of HYBRID vehicles, Strong Hybrids (Toyota, Lexus, Ford, Mercury, Nissan, GM and Mazda), Mediums Hybrids (Honda) and Micro Hybrids (Saturn and some GM's). They



Photo above Stanley Brown (left), and Iván Reyes.

all have distinctly different systems; a hybrid car has two engines, the first is an electric motor and the second is a gasoline engine. When your car is running at a constant speed or when it is standing but the engine is running, the gasoline engine automatically shuts off and the electricity part takes on. This way the consumption of fossil fuel and the emission level is cut down to almost half. Repairs and problems with a hybrid needs to be done by a hybrid certified

The Automotive Skill Center at Fort Buchanan is the only Certified Shop available to provide this service to our Soldiers and their Families.

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The Fort Buchanan Post Library celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month and Banned Books Week with a display of various reading materials available for check-out.



Library

Operating Hours: Mon - Thu 10 am- 8 pm Fri 10 am - 6 pm Sat 10 - 5 pm Sun & Hol Closed

- Manager: Eva Cabañas Telephone: 787-707-3208 Fax: 787-707-3480/3210
- E-mail: eva.cabanas@us.army.mil

Kids - Create Your **Own Book!**

Books by You inspires the love of reading and writing in children as they create and publish their own books. Available at the library...

Homework Assistance

For Elementary or Middle School students that would like some help with their home-work. Every Tuesday during the school year from 2:30pm – 4pm. Students receive assistance in all subjects on a first-come first-serve basis. Students must present a valid military ID or be accompanied by an adult who has a valid military ID.

Customers' first choice

of new books and DVD selections, I September, 10 am.

Playaways are now available • NEW

Playaways are recorded books that are about the size of a credit card. Playaway books are portable and allow you to enjoy your favorite authors and titles on-the-go (personal headphones are required). To learn more about Playaways, visit or call the Library at 787-707-3208.

Story Time Children between ages 1 - 9 years can enjoy a story hour along with a craft. On Wednesday, 16 September at 3 pm, the theme will be "Celebrating Hispanic Heritage". For more information call 787-707-3208. Children must be accompanied by and adult to participate.

DVD Releases for September 2009• Knowing / Nicolas Cage in a thriller about the end of the world • OZ: Complete Sixth Season / Christopher Meloni of Law and Order in a TV prison series • The Unborn Unrated / Megan Wood / Enter a world of relenting evil • Grey Gardens / Drew Barrymore/A mother and daughter relationship story • The Burning Bed / Farrah Fawcett/Domestic abuse at its worse • Coco Chanel / Shirley MacLaine / Riveting story of fashion icon Coco Chanel • Jerusalem Center Of The World / Religious documentary on the city considered to be the center of all creation • Dragon Hunters / Forest Whitaker / An animated fairy tale • Phoebe In Wonderland / Elle Fanning / A coming of age movie • Madea Goes To Jail / Tyler Perry / Something big is coming to the big house • Five Fingers / Lawrence Fishburne / Submerge in the world of terrorism of a non patriot • Echelon Conspiracy/ Shane West / Security comes at of terrorism of a non patriot • Echelon Conspiracy/ Shane West / Security comes at a costly price • Edge Of Love / Kiera Knightley / Only thing more dangerous than war is love • Dakota Skye / Ian Nelson / A fresh intelligent comedy • Coraline / A fantastical animated adventure • Immortal Beloved (Blu-ray) / Gary Oldman / Untold story of Ludwig Van Beethoven • Final Fantasy VII Advent Children (Blu-ray) / A mysterious illness is linked to an insidious plot • Inside Man(Blu-ray) / Denzel Washington / A well thought-out cops and robbers movie • Quantum Of Solace (Blu-ray) / Daniel Craig / James Bond's nonstop quest for justice • Inkheart(Blu-ray) / Brendan Frasier / A fantasy adventure with magical characters • Angel Of Death / Zoe Bell / People die get over it • Dragonball Evolution / Jamie Chung / Mega action based on the popular video game • Miss March / Hugh Hefner / Teen hormones are raging once again / • Labor Pains / Lindsey Lohan / Faking pregnancy spells trouble • Soloist /Robert Downey Jr./True friendship goes beyond social status



By appointment (weekdays ONLY). For more info call 787-707-3972





and US Military ID or DoD ID Card arges are to and from the Automotive Skills Cente

For other location, please call for a quote

Bldg. 159

Operating Hours: Mon - Fri 9 am- 6 pm Sat 8 am - 5 pm Sundays and Holidays Closed Clean-up time starts 30 minutes before closing.

Manager: Stanley Brown
• Telephone: 787-707-3972

Automotive Skills Center

THURSDAY SPECIALS I - 6 PM

Thu, 3 September • Autolift Usage Half Price \$2 Reg. Price: \$4 per hour

Thu, 10 September Diagnostic Test Half Price \$15 Reg. Price \$30

Thu, 17 September · Autolift Usage Half Price \$2 Reg. Price: \$4 per hour

Thu, 24 September • \$5 Discount on Air-Conditioner Check-up, discount price \$25 Reg. Price: \$30 per car

Use of Facility Fee: \$1.25 per hour. For more information call 787-707-3972





ARMY ARMY ARMS



707-KIDS

A hotline to express your concerns or alert the School Liaison Officer and the Command of issues related to our youth. A way for the community to support our youth.

Child, Youth and School Services contacts:

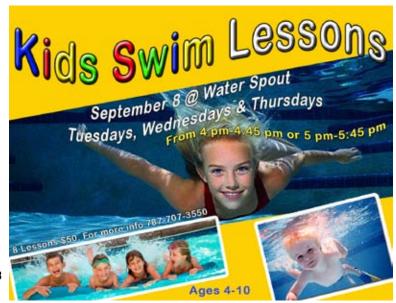
- CYS Chief, Dr. Irma Julia, 787-707-3399
- Sports & Fitness Coordinator

Ms. Arlene Muñoz, 787-707-3466

- CDS Coordinator,
- Ms. Carmen Dieppa, 787-707-3598
- SAS Manager Ms. María Martínez, 787-707-3280
- Youth Services Coordinator Mrs. Aida Aguilú, 787-707-3783
- CLEOS

Mrs. Gladys Colón, 787-707-3434

- Functional Technology Specialist, Ms. Cathleen Hamberg,
- Ms. Cathleen Hamberg, 787-707-3432
- Teen Center Recreation Specialist, Ms. Mildred Pérez, 787-707-3826



Hourly Care

CYSS has hourly care available for children and youth ages 6 weeks thru 12 years old. Cost: For ages 6 weeks thru 5 years old \$4 per hour; 6 years thru 12 years old \$3 per hour. For more information about these and other CYSS programs, please contact CYSS Central Registration Office at 787-707-3787 or 3434.

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Post Library Coupon Club

Need to Save Money?

Learn:

- where to find coupons
- how to organize them
- how to maximize savings by using them and more!

Thursday, 24 September, 11 am - 12 noon at the Library. Bldg. 518, Depot Road 787-707-3208



THURSDAYS OIL CHANGE SPECIAL

• ONLY \$8 (You must bring oil and filter ourchased at AAFES gas station)

20% Discount

Military ID Required





PLAZA DEL SOL, BAYAMÓN 787-779-2566

Montehiedra Town Center 787-790-2416 Caguas, Las Catalinas (área cines) 787-703-5511

Valid thru October 09. Certain restrictions may apply.



Monday through

Thursday 3 - 4 pm

or 4 - 5 pm 4 classes monthly Monday

through Friday

3 - 4 pm Saturdays

10 am to noon 4 classes monthly

Monday through

Thursday 3 - 4 pm or 4 - 5 pm 4 classes monthly

For fees and registrations visit CYSS Office Bldg. 1020, Buchanan Heights or call 787-707-3787

